Remarks

The Election of Species Requirement mailed May 30, 2006, has been considered and carefully reviewed. Species I (Claims 1-7 drawn to "a fuel cell system comprising a first anode channel portion comprising an anode material that is resistant to carbon deposition and active for direct oxidation of hydrogen, and a second anode channel portion comprising an anode material that is catalytically active for stem reforming of at least one hydrocarbon") is elected in response to the Election of Species Requirement. Claims 1-7 read upon the elected species.

Should there be any questions regarding this application, Examiner Martin is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number shown below.

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